Loring Park Rezoning Study

Project Kick-off Meeting January 8, 2015

Rezoning Study Purpose

- 1. To encourage the type of development envisioned in the adopted plans *
- 2. To prevent development that is inconsistent with the plans
- 3. The City has a legal obligation to ensure that zoning reflects adopted land use policy.

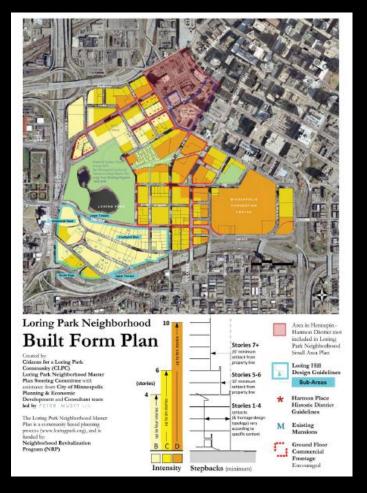
The rezoning is about future development.

Adopted Land Use Policy

The Minneapolis Plan for Sustainable Growth (adopted 2009)

Loring Park Neighborhood Master Plan (adopted 2013)





Minneapolis Zoning Code

All land in the city is assigned a zoning classification in one of these categories :

- Residence Districts (8)
- Office Residence Districts (3)
- Commercial (Mixed Use) Districts (5)
- Downtown Districts (4)
- Industrial Districts (3)

Overlay Districts (17)

Minneapolis Zoning Code

Each district regulates:

- Uses (Permitted, Conditional, Prohibited)
- Building height, bulk, and setbacks
- Lot dimensions
- Signage (Size, type, location and lighting)
- Hours of operation

Regulations that apply across districts:

- Parking and loading requirements
- Spacing requirements
- Site plan requirements

Legal Non-Conforming Uses

Uses become nonconforming when a new zoning district is applied to a property that does not allow the use that was legally established under the previous zoning district.

- Can continue to operate as usual as long as they are not abandoned for a period of more than 12 months.
 Property owners can rebut abandonment if they are actively marketing the property
- Can be altered by going through a Planning Commission process
- Can be rebuilt if destroyed
- Can still get loans

What will the Changes Mean?

Do they mean that the City wants to "take" my property? No.

Do they affect my taxes? No, taxation calculations don't factor in zoning.

Can I keep my property like it is? Can I change it? Yes. Some changes may require a "change of non-conforming use" permit.

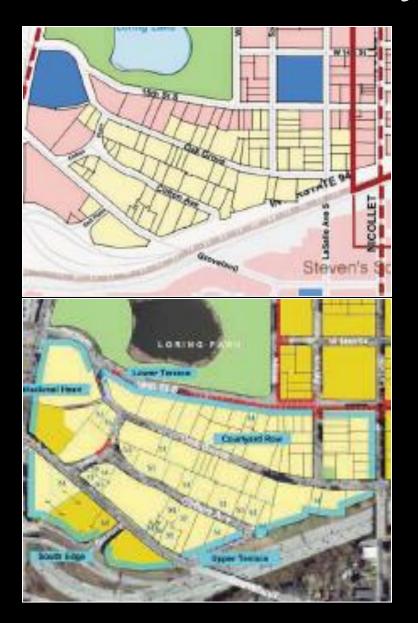
Adopted Land Use Policy







Potential Priority Area – Loring Hill



Example: 1730 Clifton Place



Current zoning: OR3 and SOD Allowed height: 2.5 stories Current use: Institutional

Adopted plan policies:
Height: 4 stories
Use: Urban Neighborhood

Potential Priority Area – Activity Center



Example: Meter Farm



Current zoning: C1 and POD Allowed height: 2.5 stories Current use: Surface parking lot

Adopted plan policies:
Height: 6 stories

Use: Mixed Use

Projected Timeline

	4Q-2014	1Q-2015	2Q-2015	3Q-2015	4Q-2015
1 – Kick-off process					
2 - Data collection					
3 – Existing conditions analysis					
4 - Recommendations					
5 – Public approval process					
6 - Adoption					

Typical Public Process

- Notices sent to all affected taxpayers and residents within the study area
- Notice to stakeholder groups
- Community meetings
- City Planning Commission
- Zoning & Planning Committee
- City Council

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